

Front Country Trails Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force

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Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 7, 2007
5:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers
735 Anacapa Street, 2nd Floor, Santa Barbara

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Forsell called the regular meeting of the Front Country Trails Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force to order at 5:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 735 Anacapa Street, 2nd Floor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Forsell

ROLL CALL: <u>Task Force Members Present</u>:

Steve Forsell

Beebe Longstreet

Suzanne Perkins

James Hickling

City Park & Recreation Commissioner

City Park & Recreation Commissioner

County Parks Commissioner 1st District

County Parks Commissioner 3rd District

Public Use & Facilities Staff Officer

Los Padres National Forest

Linda Riddle District Ranger, Santa Barbara Ranger District

Los Padres National Forest

City of Santa Barbara Staff Present

Kathy Frye Associate Park/Natural Areas Planner

Karla Megill Executive Assistant

County of Santa Barbara Staff Present

Jason Stilwell Former Interim Parks Director

Claude A. Garciacelay ASLA, Park Planner

Los Padres National Forest Staff Present

Kerry Kellogg Wilderness and Trails Manager,

Santa Barbara Ranger District

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Speakers:

- Raymond Smith, Mission Canyon Association, Chair of Mission Canyon Citizens' Planning Association.

Ms. Riddle arrived at 5:34 p.m.

TASK FORCE AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

1. Approval of Minutes – For Action

Recommendation: That the FCT Multi-jurisdictional Task Force waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 24, 2007, and the Special Work Session of February 3, 2007.

Discussion: Linda Riddle asked that the minutes be changed placing Kerry Kellogg, under a Title of "Los Padres National Forest Staff Present".

Action: Approved the recommendation with changes.

Motion:

Task Force members Hickling/Longstreet that the Task Force approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 24, 2007, as amended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote

Motion:

Task Force members Longstreet/Perkins that the Task Force approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 3, 2007.

Vote:

5/0, Hickling abstained

TASK FORCE REPRESENTATION – For Discussion

Speakers:

Staff: Jason Stilwell, County Parks

Task Force Comments:

 County Commissioner Hickling commented that members of the public have been collecting data and representing themselves as representing the task force. He expressed concern about this data being presented to the Task Force and the Task Force being expected to make an intelligent assessment of it, not knowing how it was collected, what the purpose of the data was. Commissioner Hickling stated that if the Task Force wishes to collect data, the Task Force understand the purpose, methods, and intended use of the data, and it be brought up by motion.

- City Commissioner Forsell stated that the Task Force has not commissioned any studies, and that the study Commissioner Hickling is referring to was an impromptu study done by a particular group outside of the jurisdiction of the Task Force.
- Commissioner Longstreet stated that if a survey is conducted, it will be done by a neutral party.
- Chair Forsell stated that if anyone is conducting their own survey, that is their right, but they do not have the right to imply that they represent the Task Force.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Informational Materials Requested during the February 3, 2007 Work Session

RECOMMENDATION: That the FCT Multi-jurisdictional Task Force receive a presentation from staff on informational materials the Task Force requested during the Special Work Session of February 3, 2007.

Documents:

- Staff Report
- Staff PowerPoint Presentation

Speakers:

 Staff: Jason Stilwell, County Parks; Kathy Frye, Associate Planner, City of Santa Barbara

NEW BUSINESS

3. Proposed Task Force 2007 Work Plan and Topic Schedule

RECOMMENDATION: That the FCT Multi-jurisdictional Task Force:

- A. Receive a presentation from staff on the proposed Task Force Work Plan and Topic Schedule for 2007; and
- B. Approve the Work Plan and Topic Schedule.

Documents:

Staff Report

Speakers:

 Staff: Jason Stilwell, County Parks; Kathy Frye, Associate Planner, City of Santa Barbara;

Motion:

Task Force members Longstreet/Perkins that the Task Force approve the Task Force Work Plan as a tentative document.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote

Speakers:

- Members of the Public: Lynn Kirst, David Phreaner, Ed Brown; Maureen Masson, Kurt Heidner, Chris Orr, Paul Singor, Susan Jensen, Stephen Dougherty, Tony Biegen, Kathleen Post, Cort Flinchbaugh

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

At 6:45 p.m., Task Force members Longstreet/Perkins that the Task Force meeting be adjourned.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Zachary Assistant Parks and Recreation Director